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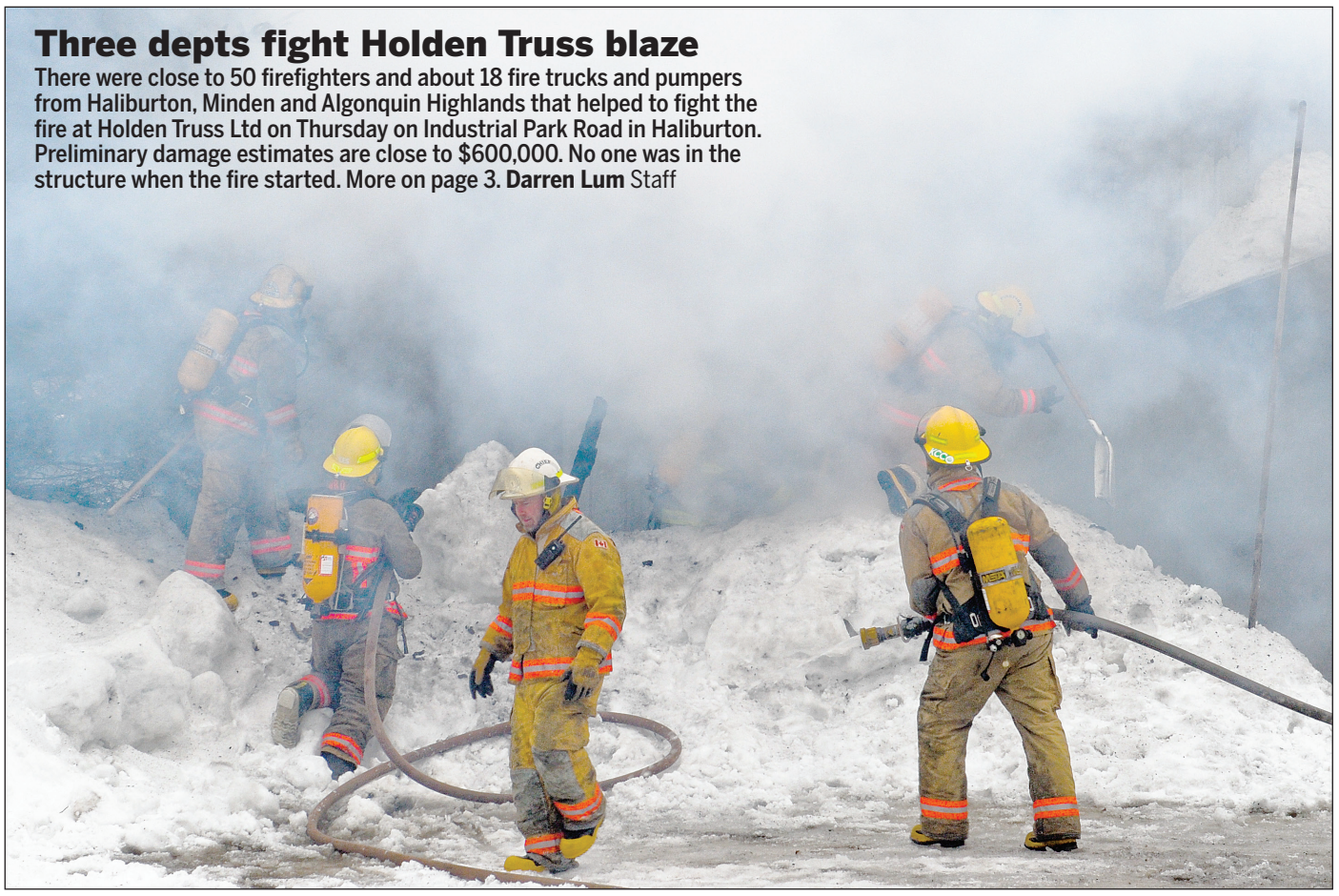
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Council denies Armatec proposal

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

It was a unanimous decision on Monday March 24 when Dysart et al council voted against a proposal for a military testing site in Harcourt.

A resolution was passed during the municipality's regular meeting of council, which was chaired by Deputy-reeve Bill Davis.

Reeve Murray Fearrey removed himself from the discussion and meeting, citing a conflict as he has an interest in a property on Benoir Lake.

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Red Hawks hockey team wins OFSAA bronze

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

The Red Hawks clutched a bronze medal at last week's OFSAA championships in Burlington and Oakville, a record-setting performance for Haliburton Highlands Secondary School's boys' hockey team.

The Hawks took down the team from Robert F. Hall CSS in a 5-4-overtime victory.

"I told them it was an amazing accomplishment," coach Ron Yake wrote in an email to the *Echo*.

Making the podium at the Ontario Federation School Athletics Association was not just an unprecedented feat for the school in hockey, but in any team sport.

"Before the game I told them they were Kawartha champions and COSSA champions and that the coaches, their parents and the community were extremely proud of what they had done," Yake wrote.

He told the boys not to worry about playing a perfect game and to just play to the best of their abilities.

"After the game I told them they played like champions."

The team came back to win the bronze medal game after a 4-1 loss to Appleby College in the tournament's semi-final.

The record-setting performance came down to cohesion and teamwork.

"We have had multiple stars throughout our playoff run," Yake wrote. "It has been spectacular. I feel our team is known as an explosive offensive team through our puck movement and strong forecheck. Our strong defensive end has added to

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Snowmobiler dies following collision

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

A Blackstock man is dead after a snowmobile collision near Harcourt during the weekend.

According to the OPP, Kevin Ferguson, 35, succumbed to his injuries on scene after his 2010 Arctic Cat hit a tree along the shoreline of

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Proposal doesn't fit tourism area: council

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The reeve said after consulting with two lawyers he felt it best to disclose the interest and withdraw from the decision.

Municipal planner Pat Martin explained the proposal from Armatec Survivability would see the London-based company purchasing 2,300 acres of property on Peterson Road, to establish a military testing facility.

In order for the application to move forward, the property in question would have to be rezoned and the municipality's official plan amended.

Martin said to date the municipality has received 204 responses from the public, however, some individuals submitted multiple concerns.

At the public meeting held earlier this month two individuals spoke in favour of the proposal, while 22 spoke against, said Martin.

Concerns included impacts to the environment, traffic, effects on real estate values, noise and wildlife disruptions.

Armatec's planning consultant Heather Sadler urged councillors not to be swayed by public perception, but rather make a decision based on reports and facts.

"The decision today is about good planning," she said.

Sadler brought up the March 3 public meeting, where the Dysart planning committee recommended that council deny the rezoning proposal and official plan amendment, based on a lack of support from the community.

That recommendation was made as a result of an angry crowd, said Sadler.

"We've asked for a deferral, to provide proper background information," she said. "The public has already decided the proposal will have an environmental impact."

Councillor Steve Pogue, who chaired the public meeting, said the recommendation came from requirements that changes to the official plan have a broad support from the public.

"We don't feel like we have the support of the Benoir Lake community," he said. "That's the reason we recommended this file be denied and that's still my position."

Councillor Dennis Casey said he agreed with Sadler and that in this situation Google had turned everyone into experts.

"Some of the perceptions out there are off the wall," said Casey, who added he had some knowledge of explosives.

However, he still believed the Armatec proposal did not fit in with provincial policy.

Councillor Susan Norcross agreed, adding she believed it did not fit in with a tourism area such as Haliburton.

A resolution to deny the application to rezone the property and amend the official plan was carried, while recognizing recreation and tourism remain priorities for the municipality, as well as the protection of the community.

There was standing room only within council chambers during the meeting.

Places for People completes third project

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

A Minden-area family will have a new home as Places for People celebrated the completion of its latest project on March 21.

An open house was held at the renovated house at 5 Newcastle St. in Minden, as volunteers with the affordable housing corporation showed off the work they've been doing since mid-December.

The removal of some walls, refurbished floors, refinished kitchen cabinets, new closet space, drywall and painting throughout and a new bathroom – top to bottom, fixtures and all – were part of the transformation.

Twenty-nine volunteers put in more than 800 collective hours to bring the project to fruition.

"I would like to publicly acknowledge Terry's contribution," said board chairman Max Ward, referring to Terry Twine, who heads up the organizations property committee. Twine alone dedicated more than 200 hours.

The organization was given a generous deal on the house from Paul Heffer, who outfitted it with new windows, roof and other amenities beforehand. A $50,000 private mortgage will be covered by the rent, as well as utilities and a trust fund that will be set up for the family, which includes a mother, father and two small children.

A $30,000 loan came from the Haliburton County Development Corporation, with $10,000 of that interest-free for facade improvements. A short-term loan for $35,000 will round out the funding and P4P has set a fundraising goal of $75,0000 for the project.

The upcoming Haliburton Hootenany concert at the Dominion Hotel on April 12 and the annual Highland Yard road race in August will help raise money for the project.

With projects now in three of the county's four townships, Ward said the organization would be exploring opportunities in Highlands East.

Kennisis dam gets $3.5 million from feds

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Kennisis Dam will be getting an overhaul after the federal government announced $58 million in funding for the Trent-Severn Waterway last week.

That announcement was made by MPs Colin Carrie and Daryl Kramp at the lift lock in Peterborough the afternoon of March 14 and funding be rolled out over two years.

In Haliburton County, where feeder and reservoir lakes for the canal are located, the Kennisis dam will receive $3.5 million worth of work.

The dam, built in 1950, will either be rebuilt or undergo a massive renovation, pending the results of an options analysis.

Exactly when the work will take place is not clear.

"Parks Canada is determining appropriate timelines," a Parks Canada media relations officer wrote in an email to the paper.

The funding was welcome news to Haiburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Barry Devolin.

"I'm delighted," said Devolin, who has been focused on improving the TSW and strengthening its commercial viability. "And the TSW money is even better than it appears to be."

As the MP explained, the funding announced last week comes on top of an existing fund that Parks Canada has for capital projects.

"I can still get in there and fight for more from the Parks Canada envelope," Devolin said.

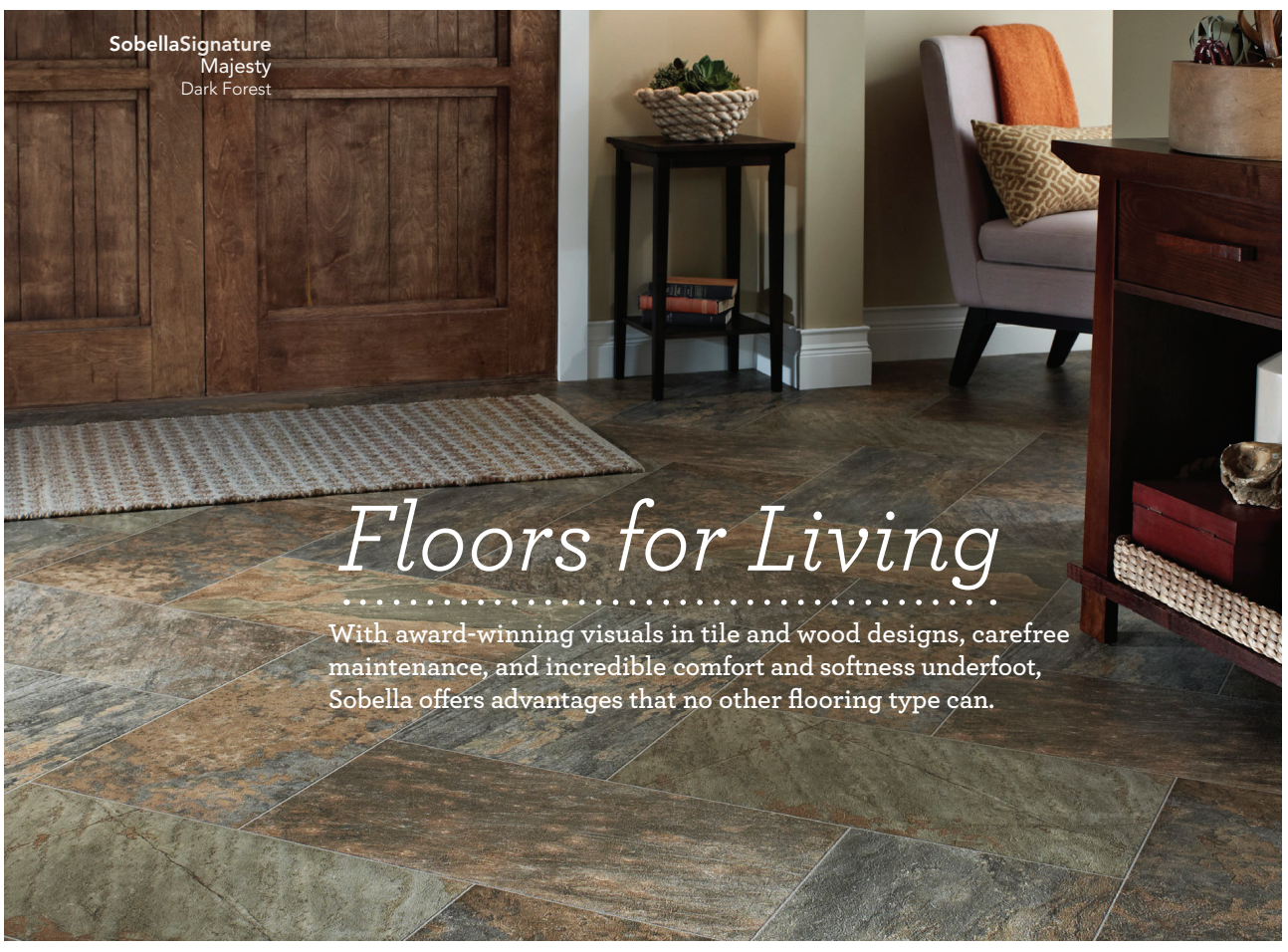
The dam at Kennisis Lake is one of only two in the TSW system that are not anchored to bedrock.

"The dam has an earth foundation which is generally more susceptible to maintenance issues over time," the Parks Canada rep wrote. "While there are some leaks identified, there are no immediate signs of any failure."

Devolin said last year's flood was "a kind of red flag" that the dam was more susceptible to severe conditions than others. Other major projects from the funding announced last week will include the reconstruction of the Bolsover dam for $24.1 million and the replacement of the deck at the Otonabee dam for $7.6 million. Swing bridges in Hastings and Brighton will each receive some $4 million worth of work and concrete rehab at Healy Falls will cost about $700,000.

Another $11.5 million will be allotted for dam safety and preventative maintenance for dams, bridges, locks and retaining walls throughout the TSW system. It is estimated that the TSW's infrastructure, some of which is more than a century old, requires about $300 million worth of work.

The Trent-Severn canal is nearly 400 kilometres long, connecting Lake Ontario to Georgian Bay.



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'The entire building would have been gone'

Fire departments' quick response credited for saving 2/3 of building

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Holden Truss Ltd owner Kirk Holden was almost at his Eagle Lake home Thursday afternoon when he received a call, alerting him of the fire at his building.

He is glad no one was hurt and is appreciative of the firefighters for saving his business

"The entire building would have been gone if Dysart [Fire Department] wasn't on the scene as fast as they were and had as much support from the other departments as they did," he said.

When the Dysart Fire Department arrived at an Industrial Park Road business fire on Thursday afternoon they knew they needed help.

Dysart fire chief Miles Maughan said once they knew the size of the fire and the potential for damage they made sure to contact neighbouring fire departments from Minden and Algonquin Highlands.

"That's our job any time. With a fire that size we knew it was going to take a lot of resources. It wasn't particular to that building or that company," he said. "In order to do that we knew early on we would need a lot of resources and it worked out."

Maughan said the wooden framed structure was typical, but the co-ordination of three departments was the biggest challenge.

He estimates close to 50 firefighters and close to 18 trucks were on scene to battle the blaze. Pumper trucks were seen lining up collecting water at a nearby pond, on Mallard Road off of Industrial Park Road.

The fire fighters helped to limit the damage to just one-third of the building, which included offices and part of the production area. The cause is not known.

The last fire that required this many firefighters, Maughan said, was back in 1986 for the Stedman's fire in downtown Haliburton.

Holden's father Brian started Holden Truss Ltd in 1986.

Kirk Holden took over in 2003 when his father retired.

The company, which produces wood products such as joists, beams, hardware and roof and floor trusses for residential, commercial and farm buildings, has four employees and increases staff during the busier spring and summer months up to 12.

"The plan is to rebuild and once we get approvals and everything put to bed we'll begin planning," Holden said.

The company is looking for temporary office space and expects to be operational this week.

His insurance broker has told him he is covered for his losses.

Although preliminary estimates released by the fire department are close to $600,000, Holden said the final tally includes a few variables.

"Well, who knows? You can pull any number out of your head," he said.

With cleanup whether some things are a write off or not will be the deciding factor on a final figure.

"The majority of the production area and machinery are intact. It looks like we should be able to get up and running quickly. Hopefully within two to three weeks if all goes well," he said.



From the outside smoke billowed, obscuring the view of the firefighters who worked to save the building March 20.

Mistrial in Kennedy case

First-degree murder trial is expected to take between two and three months

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

The Ryan Kennedy murder trial must begin again.

A spokesperson for the Ministry of the Attorney General confirmed that a mistrial in the case was declared March 13.

The trial of the four men accused of killing Kennedy had begun Jan. 21 and was being heard in Oshawa.

A publication ban prevents providing information regarding the mistrial.

Mason Gillard-Gatza, Tin Wai Hong, Raphael Guerra and Nathanial Cain ranged in age from 19 to 27 at the time of their arrests in late 2011. Each is charged with first-degree murder and attempted murder.

At about 11:45 p.m. on Oct. 19, 2011, police and emergency crews were called to a home at 1028 South Lake Rd. just outside Minden where they found two men bound with duct tape and beaten.

One of the men, Kennedy, 21, succumbed to his injuries, the other lived.

A date for jury selection and new trial will be set April 24. The trial is expected to take between two and three months.

Building dept problems persist in Highlands East

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

It's been six years, but for many contractors looking to work in the municipality of Highlands East nothing has changed.

Both builders and residents of Highlands East are frustrated with the Highlands East building department, to the point they are now voicing their concerns to local MPP Laurie Scott.

In August of 2008, building contractors from both Haliburton County and the Bancroft area met with municipal council to try to alleviate some of the ongoing concerns they were having with chief building official Randy Dunsmore.

Issues that arose included unnecessary delays, permit rejections and added costs, according to reports in *Bancroft This Week*.

As a result, Highlands East council authorized the hiring of additional staff to assist the building department during what they called a "busy and difficult transition period."

However, according to many area builders, these same issues never went away and have only worsened over time.

Highlands East resident Manfred Nemeczek and contractor Todd Bertram of Lakeside Improvements have brought their ongoing frustrations with obtaining building permits and timely responses from the municipality to the MPP.

Nemeczek has had difficulty dealing with the department for his own construction project and says he is not alone.

"Since 2008 people in Highlands East have stuck their head in the sand because they figure if you go to council and they don't do anything, nobody is going to do anything," said Nemeczek.

He is hoping that by bringing the issue to the MPP the municipality will do something.

In an email to Scott, Bertram wrote that as a general contractor in the area who has been in business for 15 years he has never experienced the difficulties from neighbouring building departments like the ones he has with Highlands East.

"Local contractors, like myself, whose sole income is earned from their construction work in the area, were not able to start their projects due to the CBO's high handed and excessive demands and delays," wrote Bertram.

The Haliburton County Home Builders Association is also aware of the current campaign involving Scott and points to longstanding issues with building in Highlands East.

"We are very aware of the issue, we hear it all the time," said Aggie Tose, executive officer of the HCHBA.

"I get phone calls from homeowners [trying to get permits] and they can't get them."

Tose said in her experience the department does not return phone calls in a timely manner.

"I have heard there are so many delays in getting permits," she said.

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing stipulate that building permits must be responded to within a 10-day period.

Those who have dealt with the department say it is common to receive no response in the allotted time period.

"It's sad because if people are building out there they're not getting permits, which means the municipality is losing out on a pile of money and tax dollars" said Tose. "It becomes a bigger, bigger, bigger problem all the way along."

Tose said going forward the HCHBA is willing to get involved in a mediation role, to try to alleviate problems between contractors and the municipality, like they did in 2008.

An anonymous classified ad was placed in local papers encouraging those who have had unwarranted issues with the Highlands East building department to come forward.

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>
> *— Aggie Tose*
> *Haliburton County Home Builders Association*

According to Bonnie Harrison, Scott's office manager, the MPP is aware of the complaints, however, will not be getting involved.

"Regarding the above issue, this is clearly and strictly a municipal issue and therefore Laurie is unable to intervene as a provincial MPP," wrote Harrison in an email to the paper.

According to Highlands East chief administrative officer Sharon Stoughton-Craig, the municipality is not aware there is an issue between the building department and local contractors.

Complaints regarding timeliness, unnecessary rejections and stipulations have been looked into by the municipality, said the CAO.

"Any complaints we received, have been investigated and there was no substance to the complaint," wrote Stoughton-Craig in an email.

The CAO said the staff member hired in 2008 to help Dunsmore with construction issues has since retired, however, the municipality does have a staff person who will return when there are sufficient permits to process.

Nemeczek said he has contacted the municipality to set-up a meeting about the issue, which he is hoping happens in the near future.



Woman taken to hospital with life-threatening injuries

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Allen Lake in the early morning hours of Sunday, March 23.

"They were just coming off the lake," said Const. Paul Potter of the Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment.

Potter said the crash happened just after midnight. OPP received the call just before 7 a.m.

Ferguson's passenger, 40-year-old Tamara Mothersill of Peterborough, was airlifted to hospital in Toronto with life-threatening injuries where she remained at press time.

Police are investigating both speed and alcohol use as cause for the crash.

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Protecting what sustains us

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Nothing short of an all-out social movement is needed to maintain the planet's biodiversity, according to Steve Hounsell.

Hounsell is chairman of the Ontario Biodiversity Council and was the keynote speaker at U-Links' annual Celebration of Research at the Great Hall at Fleming College March 22.

"The two major issues of our time, biodiversity and climate change, are intertwined," Hounsell said. "The point is we cannot survive without nature."

However, he pointed out, with the exception of a few species of lice that have evolved specifically to humans, nature would probably do just fine without us.

"Let's look at the earth as a giant, living bank account," Hounsell said. "Well folks, we're in the red."

Earth Overshoot Day is the day each year when humanity's consumption of natural resources surpasses the Earth's capacity to regenerate them. For 2013, that day was Aug. 20.

"After that, we've gone into overdraft," Hounsell said, adding that people need to become more aware of how much nature there is, versus how much nature is being used.

The Earth only has three per cent of its native grasslands and savannas left. Seventy-two per cent of its wetlands have been lost.

Hounsell said if environmental damage caused by humans was put into financial terms, it equals a loss between $2.5 and $4.5 trillion a year, for the past 25 years.

And Ontarians are some of the worst ecological offenders on the planet, with the fourth highest per capita environmental footprint behind the United Arab Emirates, the United States and Kuwait. Canada, as a whole, is No. 8.

"[Ontarians] tend to be more consumptive than the average Canadian," Hounsell said.

The average ecological footprint of an Ontarian is 8.5 hectares, while the Earth only has room for each person to have an ecological footprint of 2.1 hectares.

"If all seven billion of us lived the way we do . . . it would take the resources of four planets," Hounsell said.

Humans are killing the planet's biodiversity, thereby threatening their own existence, through habitat loss, pollution, population growth, over-harvesting and the transport of invasive species.

"By the way, we should probably take a look in the mirror when we talk about invasive species," Hounsell quipped.

But the biggest contributor to decreasing biodiversity, one that may become driven by and eclipse the others, Hounsell said, is climate change.

"What are we doing about this biodiversity crisis?" he asked. "Make no mistake, globally it is a crisis."

In 2011, the biodiversity council created the Ontario Biodiversity Strategy.

"It's about protecting what sustains us," Hounsell said to an environmentally conscious audience.

"I know I'm speaking to the converted. We need to reach out to others."

And engagement, making biodiversity awareness part of mainstream culture, is one of the strategy's main goals.

That means incorporating biodiversity into decision making, from that of all levels of government to that of the individual. Importantly, it must also become an imperative in the marketplace.

"Business and industry also need to participate," Hounsell said.

Encouragingly, he said, 16 Ontario ministries have stated they have a role in conserving biodiversity.

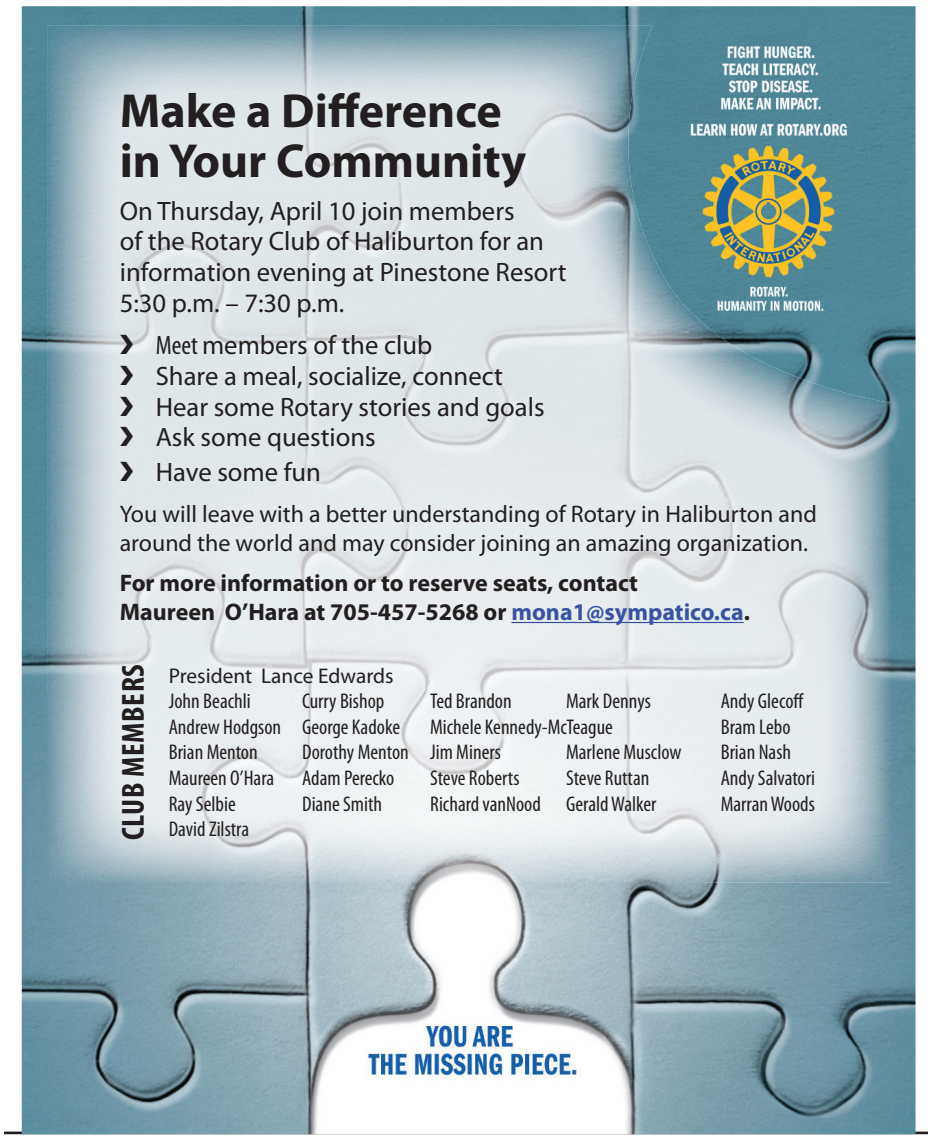
But these changes at the government and business levels must be driven by individuals in order to happen. "Purchase green, sustainable products," Hounsell said. "The marketplace will, in turn, respond."

Similarly, citizens must start inquiring about political parties' biodiversity policies if there is to be political will to create change.

"What is needed is nothing short of a social movement," Hounsell said.

At a personal level, people can engage in biodiversity-friendly behaviours such as buying locally produced foods and planting native species on their properties.

"You can address biodiversity at all levels, including in your backyard," Hounsell said.



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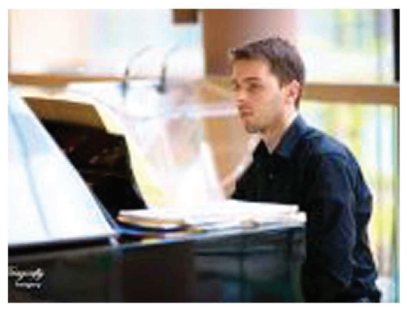
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Siding with voters

COUNCIL HAS VOTED and it seems the Armatec proposal to put an armour testing site in the middle of Harcourt has been defeated.

It was a tough decision for councillors, who at first seemed positive about the proposed five to 15 jobs generated by the company and thought the tradeoffs weren't too much to have a new industry in the Highlands.

Armatec had a solid plan and few raised complaint with its president Karl Pfister, who presented strong arguments for the testing site.

It was to involve only rare, brief explosions no louder than other sounds heard in cottage country such as jet skis or fireworks.

No sensitive land would be touched. No animals hurt.

Yet there was significant pushback, particularly by the cottaging population, who felt this was against the way of life chosen by those who built or bought on Benoir Lake and the surrounding community.

There were some conspiracy theories, but councillors seemed captured by the general argument that military armour testing was against the nature of the place.

Despite Pfister's comprehensive plan and reasonable argument to put Armatec in Harcourt, the official plan did not accommodate for him, which allowed councillors to more easily say no to the unpopular project.

For those who are miffed that a chance at economic growth has been shut down in the county, it might be time to get more involved with the official plan (or talk to your councillor about what kind of development you'd like to see where you live).

Whether the project would have been good for the economy was not reason enough for councillors to override the concerns from their constituents.

Five jobs did not win out over dozens, if not hundreds, of upset property owners.

Whether that benefits the whole county or not, councillors did what they were supposed to do: vote on behalf of their constituents.



Jenn Watt
Editor

Last week for Head Lake Ice Out guesses

Don't forget to cast your vote for when the last lump of ice will melt off of Head Lake.

You have to get your guess in by March 28.

Please guess both the day and the time when the ice will melt off the lake – even though it seems it will never leave!

(One guess per person, but each person in a family can guess.)

The person with the closest guess will receive a free one-year subscription to the *Haliburton Echo*. Good luck and think warm thoughts!



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Gathering

MY DAUGHTER and I just came back from spending 12 days in Puerto Morelos, Mexico just south of Cancan on the Mayan Riveria.

Puerto Morelos is a small fishing village and tourist town offering vacationers a quiet and peaceful place to spend time. We loved it there.

We loved the vibrant people, the incredible food, the beautiful beach and ocean and the colourful décor.

Every day we would take a short walk into town and hang out in the "town square." The square is a place where people gather to visit and children play.

There are long winding benches, a kids' playground, a court for basketball or bike riding, washrooms and a fountain.

We enjoyed going to get an ice cream or a fresh juice and hanging out and watching the people and the ocean and just enjoying the view. Shops surround the square and so it was easy to shop and hang out a bit.

Spending time there every day made me think about how towns and cities are designed and what encourages people to gather, to shop, to be active and just feel really welcome and relaxed in a place. The kind of planning that allows for an environment where people feel safe and can ride their bikes or walk without the fear of getting hit by a car.

I wondered, as I sat feeling so relaxed and welcome, is this how cottagers and tourists feel when they come to Haliburton?

I walked along the beach with many Canadian and American seniors every morning at 5:30 a.m. so that we could all enjoy the sunrise and get some exercise before it became too hot.

It made me think of all the housebound seniors in Canada this winter in the minus 30 weather. Although there are lots of hardy ones who get out to ski and snowshoe, there are lots who don't have the equipment, clothing, health or skill for those activities.

It made me think about the planning that is going on related to the possibility of building a swimming pool in Haliburton.

What would our community be like for locals and vacationers if we had a pool? Who would gather there?



Lynda Shadbolt
Tales from The Great Green Meadow

What kinds of activities would be available that might invite people to stay in the community, move to the community or visit the community?

Pools are usable by infants, toddlers, children, teens, adults, pregnant women, people with injuries who are in rehab and seniors.

Young families looking to move to Haliburton might be influenced by the possibility that their children or teens could learn to swim and develop leadership skills in the county.

Seniors considering a move here might be interested that there are indoor options for exercise all year round.

One thing I know for sure is that the older I get the more I realize the importance of staying active and strong and healthy so that I can enjoy my life as much as possible till the end.

The planning that goes into our community affects how every single person.

There are lots of beautiful places to live and vacation in this world and we have to keep planning in a way that keeps Haliburton as a place that people want to be.

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points of view

Men's grooming then and now

IF YOU WALKED along Main Street, shovelled off your back deck, went to the post office, ice fished or shopped for groceries in any one of our fine establishments within the last week or so, you probably caught a whiff of my new deodorant.

If you didn't, I'm going to ask for my $3 back.

It's called Old Spice Game Day – which makes good sense, since I only wear it on days when I am just that.

I'm not proud of this either. But it seems this is the direction in which modern man is headed. And no good will come of this, I tell you.

In fact, when archeologists of the future try to determine when manly men went extinct all they'll need to do is look to the rise of the men's personal grooming section at the grocery store.

A quick study of its evolution over the years will tell the sorry tale.

Remember, in cave man days, there was no personal grooming section for men at all. There was no need. Our Neanderthal forefathers washed themselves annually by falling in creeks while spearing things. You'd think we would have left well enough alone. But no.

I think it all started somewhere around the 1970s.



Steve Galea
Loon Tales

When I was a kid in those days, the drug store's men's grooming section comprised one little corner that real men never actually visited.

Oh sure they would hurry by it, but no one ever actually stopped there. As I recall, it held a few bars of Ivory Soap, a can or two of Right Guard, dusty bottles of Old Spice, Brute, High Karate and Aqua Velva. The last four were only bought by kids on Father's Day as a last resort when all the ties with Hula Dancers were sold.

Otherwise, no one ever bothered with the place. That's partly because the only personal grooming product a man of my father's era truly needed was non-scented soap, which they used religiously – and by that I mean every Sunday when our moms forced them. As for the deodorants and colognes, they were only inflicted upon the world at large at special events like weddings and anniversaries, which, for the most part, our dads tried to desperately avoid.

The world was as it should be.

In stunning contract, when I went and purchased my Game Day, there were upwards of 50 different brands of men's deodorants – some, if you can believe it, costing as much as the price of a dozen minnows.

Then there were mysterious products like body wash, moisturizer, and all manner of colognes, shampoos and conditioners. I even saw one bottle of body spray that was nearly the price of a good fly rod.

It gets worse.

On those same shelves were a manicure kit and this strange device for plucking nose hairs. You have to ask yourself when it all went so horribly wrong. When did nose hairs become unfashionable?

It doesn't even make any sense from a marketing perspective because, frankly, all men are loyal to only one brand of cologne, deodorant or shampoo – that being the cheapest.

I don't care how much production value you put into fancy commercials. No man relates to an Old Spice guy riding a unicorn. And most of us know that the kid being chased by all those women in the Ax commercial is never going to get a chance to go fishing with the boys again.

Who wants that?

Well, the marketing people are trying to convince us that we do. And judging from the kid I saw who bought that expensive bottle of cologne, it seems to be working too.

This doesn't bode well for the future of manly men.

When I accidentally stumble into the men's personal grooming section 20 years from now for more deodorant am I going to find that it has grown as big as the women's section and is filled with products with names such as Captain Eye Liner or Lipstick for Men?

Will my future grandson's generation be horn-swaggled into thinking that they need to wash their face more than once a week or, God-forbid, right away, after eating chicken wings? Because, believe me, that's where we seem to be headed.

I tell you they are trying to make us smell like something that's wholly unnatural. And, believe me, that's not good.

letters to the editor

Letter leaves questions

To the Editor,

Re: "Armatec environmentally friendly" letter to the editor, March 18

In this letter to the editor the author writes, "a small bit of research shows that one of the largest class action lawsuits in North America is seeking compensation from the Department of National Defence." It is my understanding that Armatec is a private company with contracts with the Department of National Defence. Are they named in the lawsuit as well? She also states that "they [Armatec] are located in an area that is already contaminated." Did Armatec contaminate the area or are they able to make use of "an area that is already contaminated"? In reading the "site description" it states, "There is a steep ridge of land that runs in a north-south direction along the western boundary of the property. This ridge is significant in that it separates the proposed research and testing site from the cottages on Benoir Lake." The proposed site is not "on the shores of Benoir Lake." In doing a "small bit of research" it is easy to come to the wrong conclusions and thus add fuel to the fire for those opposed and who have not researched the proposal. Just my thoughts.

Doug Bates
Gooderham

Transparency?

To the Editor,

Re: Lawsuit costs Highlands East $42K

It's really sad that one has to go through the freedom of information request to get public information from the municipality. I always thought everything our elected officials do, especially financially, with our money is supposed to be an open book policy for every taxpayer to review at his or her request. Why do they hide the numbers? So much for transparency!

Manfred Nemeczek

Found scarf brings warm feeling

To the Editor,

Congratulations to the people of Haliburton! On March 2 I left my scarf at the Kosy Korner. On March 17 I went back and there it was hanging on the coat rack! What a wonderful place to live with so many honest and friendly people.

Ted Koehler
Haliburton

ER staff remember Dr. Fiddler

To the Editor,

In his death as in his life, the passing of our beloved Dr. David Fiddler has brought the staff of the Minden ER together. We find ourselves drawn together to share memories and reminisce. Through tears and laughter we reflect on the life of a truly unique man whom we all loved and adored. While we each have our own experiences with Dave, we are reminded about the many contributions he has made to our hospital, community and individually.

It takes us back to the beginning when Dave and his identical twin brother, Dr. Doug Fiddler cottaged in the area. The twins had become familiar with Minden Hospital as children.

With the threat of Minden ER closing in 1995, sentimental attachments drew Dave and Doug back. Physicians from Lindsay and Barrie followed their lead on a mission to save the hospital of their youth.

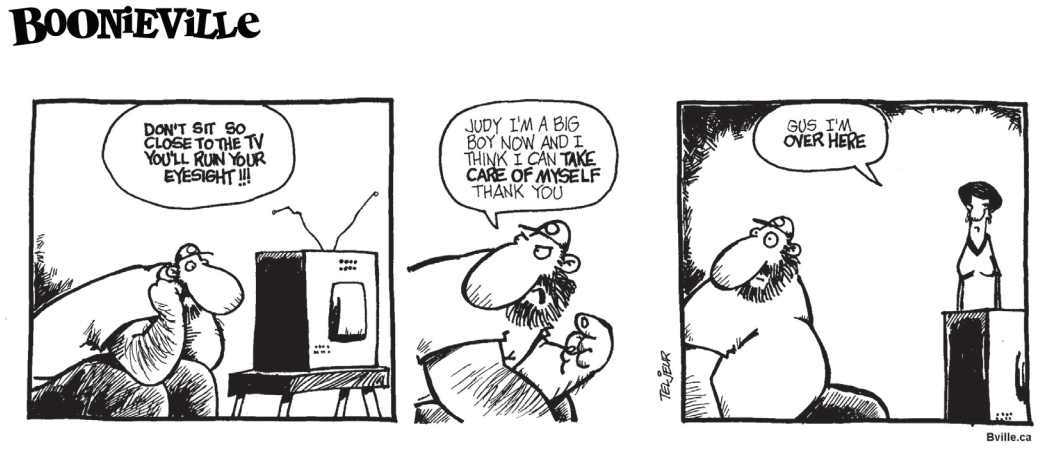
What started off as a three-month mission has continued to the present hospital almost 20 years later. Through all the early trials and tribulations, the reduced hours and threats of closure, we stand strong today with 24 hour service, thanks in large part to Dr. David Fiddler. Physicians from Lindsay, Barrie and Peterborough make up our current coalition.

First and foremost, none of this would have been possible without the unyielding strength and support of Dave's wife Linda. Were it not for the love of his life's willingness to share Dave with our community, Minden ER would never have survived. Dave spent so many days in our ER each month, Linda jokingly referred to us as "his second wives." This wonderful family man's children, Rachael, Dennis, Graham, Gavin and Kate shared their dad willingly, allowing him to accomplish so much here.

Sitting together as a family, remembering our Dave, we found common ground on so many things. Mostly, we recalled his character or that he was a character. Yes, he was most certainly a gifted physician, of this there was no question. He was a brilliant, consummate professional and a wise mentor. Always teaching, encouraging and inspiring; his tenacity and passionate work ethic preceded him, and when you worked with Dave you went home knowing that as a team you had done your best. Being such a positive person, he made you feel good when you were down. When the craziness of the ER almost got the better of us, his sense of humour pushed the limits, making us better and stronger. When sadness, loss and grief encapsulated the department, Dave's kind support shone through the darkness for patients and their families.

That said, no one was safe from his passion for a prank. If you weren't the subject of it you were enlisted as a co-conspirator. His gags could go as far as hitting three hospitals on April Fool's Day at the same time, involving EMS and OPP; or they could be as simple as a prescription for no dishes or house

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The cows in Lindsay have lost their farmer

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work for a week. Even when giving a youngster a lesson his good hearted nature managed to get them wondering in earnest when he asked "what five things did you do for your mom today".

These are the moments we will remember from a man we will never forget. Dave had a heart like no other, and it has been an honour and privilege to have worked with him, know him, love him.

As the news spreads through our community we are invariably asked "was it the one who had cows or the one who liked cars?" "Was he Lindsay or Barrie?" It is these questions that remind us that the "Fiddlers" didn't just care for our community they shared with our community and now together we are left to share this loss. Sadly the cows in Lindsay have lost their farmer.

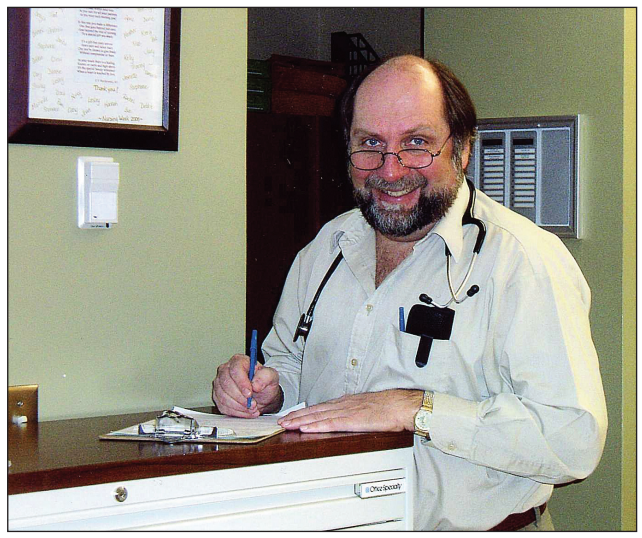
As much as we are saddened by his leaving, and as hard as we find these days, we will carry on. Not only will we survive, we will flourish, we will work together, support each other and our community because that is what we do.

Dave, you will be forever in our hearts.

All our love,

Your Minden Family
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Splashing into spring

It might not feel like spring quite yet, but splashing ensued nonetheless at the annual Sir Sam's Spring Splash event on Saturday, March 22. The event features participants, many of whom don costumes, attempting to ski or snowboard across a large puddle of ice-cold water at the bottom of the ski hill. The event lives up to its name with spectacular falls sending geysers into the air and leaving soggy skiers and boarders to shiver and wade their way out of the puddle.

The winning entry in the costume contest this year was a multi-person effort: the Sandford/Chapman Sir Sam's Sizzler Roller Coaster, consisting of several individual coaster cart costumes.

The adult-only after-party was dinner and a dance. Dinner was steak on a bun, salad and dessert, and the featured entertainment was the Stephanie Gregg Band, who delivered an evening of classic rock.

While the Spring Splash event generally marks the end of the winter season at Sir Sam's, the business indicates it will be evaluating conditions for the upcoming weekend, and the hill may be open on Saturday, March 29 and Sunday, March 30 if conditions are appropriate.







Tim Tofflemire
Special to the Echo

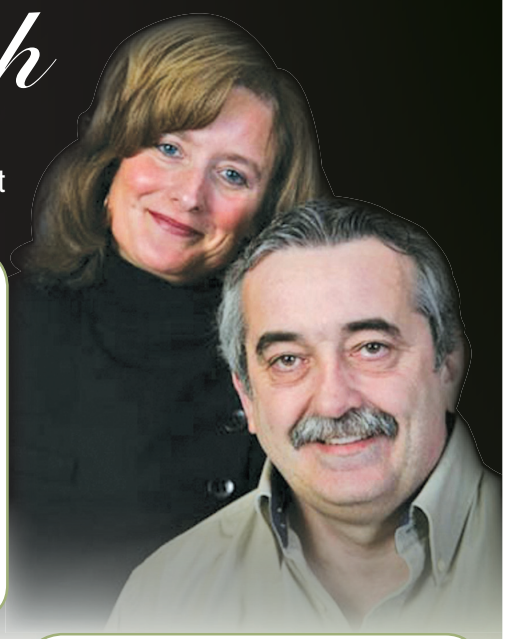
Above, the snowplow skiing technique isn't quite as effective without any snow, but it doesn't matter because waterskiing season is here. Left, nothing says spring like wearing a lovely dress - to snowboard across a giant puddle of frigid water. Far left, a very patriotic skier embraces the Canadian spring. Below, a literal crowdsurfing gives onlookers a surprise taste of the Sir Sam's Spring Splash.

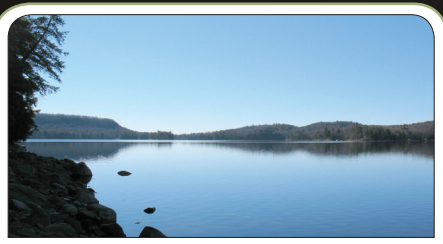


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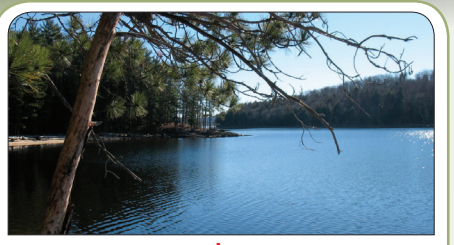
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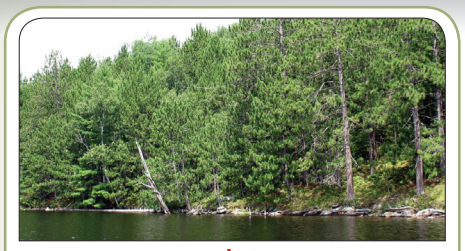
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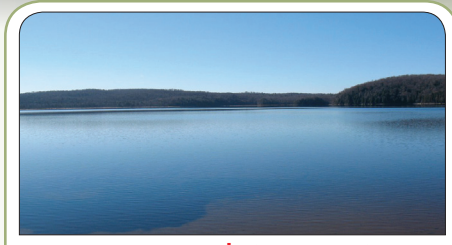
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How does your garden grow?

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

This year's first Dig In workshop is offering beginner gardeners the ABCs of vegetable gardening.

Participants will be given a comprehensive gardening education that will include cool and warm season crops, how to read and understand seed packages, types of seeds, how to start planting indoors, seed saving and the different types of garden beds.

This offering is one of at least 12 this year for the Learn Grow Eat series of workshops about growing, preparing and preserving food.

Workshop leader Cara Steele, who is Abbey Gardens' program co-ordinator, said anyone can garden anywhere.

"Gardening can be very daunting to get into because there is so much to know and it's so seasonal that if you happen to miss something you can end up setting yourself back," she said.

"For me this is really important because it gives people that beginner level knowledge to know how to select seeds they want; know how to plant them; know when to plant them so they can have a successful garden that season."

Steele will provide demonstrations and a PowerPoint presentation at the workshop on March 29 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre in Wilberforce.

She taught the workshop last year and has a background in ecological gardening, including the past few years with vegetable gardening.

SIRCH manager of community resilience programs Daniela Pagliaro said these workshops are part of an overall effort for a healthier community, which includes equipping volunteers with knowledge and skills to teach others, the provision to families and their children towards healthier habits through an awareness of local foods from visits to local producers, and education on how to produce their own food. The workshops are a follow up in applying the knowledge through skill building.

Last year's canning workshop hosted by the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit, she said, led to an amazing opportunity. The volunteer trainers for the workshop learned from chef Emerie Brine from Bernardin, a jar company whose name is almost synonymous with canning.

"A couple of those volunteers then went on to offer a workshop to other people in the community through Dig In and also offer one specifically to moms that are participants of SIRCH groups," she said.

The workshops are the result of a partnership between SIRCH Community Services, Abbey Gardens, the HKPR health unit and the Haliburton County Community Garden Network.

Pagliaro said this collaboration between the organizations is the key.

The partnership is enabling the workshop series to continue this year without the Healthy Communities Grant that helped with its start up. Initially there were only six workshops planned.

"Because of the partnership we were able to offer 13 or 14. That was a major plus. That was above and beyond grant funding so what we learned through strategic partnerships and creative use of human resources in each of our organizations we are able to continue this without grant funding," she said.

The cost for the workshop is $10. There is also a limit of subsidized spots available.

For registration information contact Daniela at 705-457-1742 ext. 31 or daniela_pagliaro@sirch.on.ca.



Spring in the Highlands
Highlands resident Barry Smith, who participated in this staged photo, is thinking spring despite the persistent wintery weather. Darren Lum Staff

Councillors want better info on where tax dollars spent

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

County councillors want more information on where the municipality's money is going.

During a finance and correspondence committee meeting, Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid said she'd like more detailed information on how money the county gives to some agencies is used.

"I find it very odd that someone would send you an invoice for $380,000 and not tell you what they're doing for you," Reid said, referring to a payment to the Haliburton-Kawartha-Pine Ridge District Heath Unit. "I probably should have asked this question three years ago."

Treasurer Laura Janke said the county had requested a budget from the health unit before, but had not received such.

Reid suggested that council move to suspend all payments to the health unit until the county received the financial information.

"I thought the same thing," said Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt. "Is suspension of payment drastic?"

"It's provincially mandated, I can tell you that," said Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey, adding it was his understanding that the money was used for a variety of programs, from rabies shots to the mitigation of communicable diseases.

Payments to the health unit are based on the county's year-round population.

County chief administrative officer Jim Wilson suggested councillors leave the issue with staff who would try again to get the information and that after that, council would deal it as members saw fit.

Reid said she's also like to see a more detailed breakdown from the Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton Housing Corporation.

The corporation, to which the county contributed more than $750,000 last year for affordable housing, does provide a budget breakdown of sorts, showing how much it costs to operate each of its facilities.

However, Reid said she'd like to see more detail regarding how much is spent on maintenance, salaries, benefits, etc.

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Art symposium to tackle acceptance

Jenn Watt
Editor

Student and community artwork on the theme of acceptance will be displayed around the hallways of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School as part of a symposium organized by the Gay Straight Alliance.

On April 17 from 4 to 8 p.m., members of the public are welcome to tour the show, sample some hors d'oeuvres and take in a family friendly movie at the school's theatre.

The event will highlight the GSA's mandate of creating safe spaces for all people, regardless of sexual orientation, said the group's president, Grade 12 student Bethany Little.

"We just want to get involved and let people know we're here. It's not like [the GSA is] where the gay people go. This is where it's a safe space and we're trying to promote a safe place for everyone," she said.

Prize money will be given out to the people's choice selection and another work selected by a jury.

Admission is by donation.

The competition is called Blush and students are encouraged to submit art about "whatever makes you blush." While art from the wider community is welcomed, only student art is part of the competition.

Money for the prizes and for the catering comes from a $1,000 Speak Up grant the GSA successfully applied for.

In creating the arts event, the GSA also wanted to reach out to a faction of the high school that is less often represented to the community and in the media: the artists.

"It's an outreach to the arts programs in our school, too. It's not another football game or anything else," said GSA vice-president and Grade 12 student Kathleen Tedford.

"You see in the paper all the time who won the football game, the soccer game ... so the arts kids don't tend to get out there as much," said Bethany.

Those who want to participate in the show can email either Bethany or Kathleen by April 10 at bethymylittle@gmail.com or Kathleen.tedford@hotmail.com.

HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS HEALTH SERVICES

Working Together for the Health of the Highlands

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE

The seventeenth Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation (HHHS) will be held on Thursday, June 26, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. in the Auditorium of the HHHS Minden Hospital / Hyland Crest.

2014-15 Membership in the HHHS Corporation is available to any individual who is a resident* of, or who is employed or operates a business in, the County of Haliburton or in the Townships formerly known as Laxton, Digby and Longford, or Bexley or Somerville of Victoria county, or Cavendish and Galway of Peterborough County for a period of at least 12 months immediately prior to the payment of an annual membership fee of ten dollars ($10).

Membership in the Corporation entitles an individual to vote at any general meeting of the Corporation. New members must register at least 60 days prior to the date of the meeting. **Therefore, to be eligible to vote at the June 26, 2014 AGM, new memberships must be obtained by April 1, 2014.** Members of the Corporation are also entitled to nominate Directors for election to the Board.

The fee may be paid and proof of membership obtained at HHHS, Haliburton or Minden Business Offices, during regular business hours, or by contacting:

Marlene Vieira
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COUNTY OF HALIBURTON
LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the *Planning Act* and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday, April 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

1. File No. H-002/14
   Applicant: Jessica & Jeffrey WILSON
   Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 7, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Dysart
   Nature of the Application: New Lot

2. File No. H-005/14
   Applicant: GREIF BROS. CANADA INC.
   Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 21, Concession 8, Geographic Township Harburn
   Nature of the Application: Right-of-way

3. File No. H-006/14
   Applicant: GREIF BROS. CANADA INC.
   Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 16 to 20, Concessions 3 & 4, Geographic Township of Harburn
   Nature of the Application: New Lot & Right-of-way

4. File No. H-007/14
   Applicant: GREIF BROS. CANADA INC.
   Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 16 to 20, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Harburn
   Nature of the Application: Right-of-way

5. File No. H-011/14
   Applicant: Christopher KOZAK
   Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 32, Concession 15, Geographic Township of Glamorgan
   Nature of the Application: Right-of-way

6. File No. H-012/14
   Applicant: Peter & Robyn MEERVELD
   Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 32, Concession 15, Geographic Township of Glamorgan
   Nature of the Application: Right-of-way

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office *by appointment* during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 25th day of March, 2014

Michele Moore
Secretary-Treasurer
Haliburton County Land Division Committee
11 Newcastle Street
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Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0
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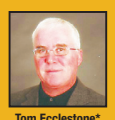

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Dagmar Boettcher**
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& Cindy Muenzel*
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Mark Dennys*
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Tom Ecclestone*
286-2138 x 26

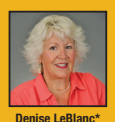

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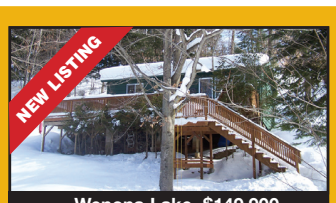

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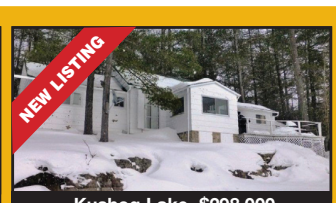

Denise LeBlanc*
286-2138 x 23


NEW LISTING

Wenona Lake $149,900

- Year round access, 3 bedroom cottage
- Nestled in the woods along Wenona Lake
- Deeded access steps away to beach front
- Call Drew for further details.

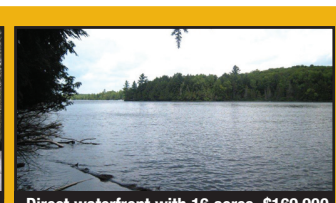
Drew Bishop 457-2128 x 23


NEW LISTING

Kushog Lake $298,000

- 148 ft west facing 1 acre property
- 3 bdrm with Bunkie on owned shoreline
- Rock shelf shoreline and deep water
- Great boating on this 2 lake 12 mile chain

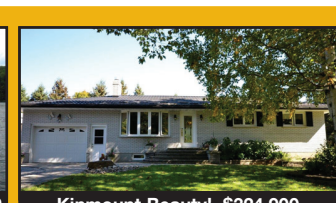
Dagmar Boettcher 489-9968



Direct waterfront with 16 acres $169,900

- 300 feet of level waterfront
- Sloping lot for walk-out basement
- ATV and walking trail on property
- Close to Haliburton for amenities

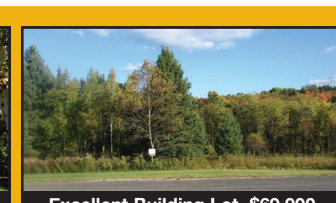
Janice Brookes 457-2128 x 22



Kinmount Beauty! $324,900

- 3 BR, 2 bath spotless bungalow with garage
- Irondale River access with dock (not deeded)
- Pretty lot, peaceful setting, great cntry retreat
- Too many recent upgrades to mention

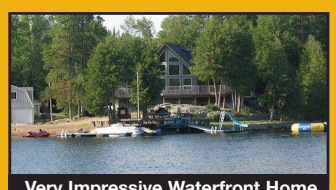
Gloria Carnochan & Cindy Muenzel 754-1932



Excellent Building Lot $69,900

- 588 Ft Rd Frontage, 2.10 acres in Haliburton
- Level lot, ravine at back with stream
- Minutes to trails/lakes & town amenities
- Area of newer homes and dead end road

Mark Dennys 457-2128 x 30



Very Impressive Waterfront Home

- 250 feet with sand beach on Shadow Lake
- 4 + 3 bedrooms, rec hall, 3 bay garage
- Less than 3 hours from GTA, great access
- Many other outstanding features

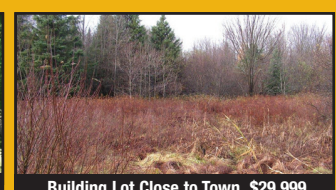
Tom Ecclestone 286-2138 x 26


NEW LISTING

Maple Lake $298,000

- 108' ftg; west facing; 3 BR cottage
- Shallow sand entry and beach
- Boathouse at water's edge; Bunkie
- 3 lake chain miles of boating

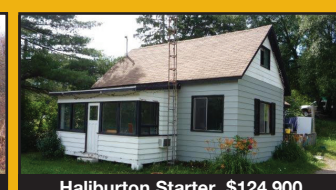
Lee Gauthier 489-9968



Building Lot Close to Town $29,999

- Great location near Minden
- In an area of nice homes
- 1.18 acres on year round road
- Hydro & phone close by

Ed Gibbons 286-2138 x 28



Haliburton Starter $124,900

- 4 BRs, just 5 mins from Haliburton Village
- Features new shingles, newer oil furnace
- Beautiful 2 acre lot; easy access on mun. rd
- Great income possibilities

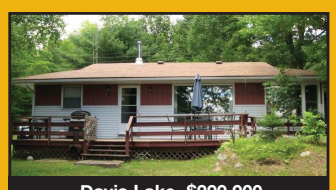
Andrew Hodgson 286-2138 x 29


NEW LISTING

Long Lake $279,900

- Nicely-kept 3BR cottage on 2-Lake chain
- Bunkie with loft at waterfront
- Nice clean shoreline, sunset exposure
- Easy year-round Municipal road access

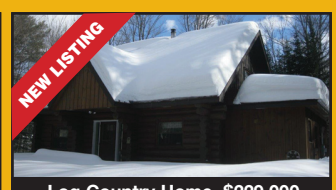
Susanne James & Andy Mosher 457-2128 x 33



Davis Lake $299,900

- 3 bedroom, 4 season cottage
- Bunkie + garage
- Level lot , sand beach, dock
- Big lake view

Valerie Kulla 286-2138


NEW LISTING

Log Country Home $229,000

- Log Home on 3.4 Acres Minden
- 3 bedrooms and 2 baths
- Detached 1 1/2 garage and woodshed
- Well treed & great privacy

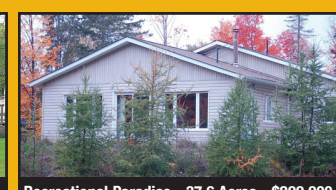
Denise LeBlanc 286-2138 x 23


NEW PRICE

Pride of Ownership! $325,000

- Immaculate 4 season waterfront home/cottage
- Level lot with child friendly sand beach
- Quiet bay on the Gull River heading to Shadow Lake
- 2 bedrooms and double car garage

David Lee 286-2138 x 27



Recreational Paradise - 37.6 Acres - $299,900

- 10 mins to Minden, Blairhampton [illegible] stigious area
- Hard/softwood bush [illegible] brink [illegible] andscaped
- High quality [illegible] m [illegible] bsmt w/o; Private;
- Level access [illegible] 1.5 km to 12 Mile Lk boat launch

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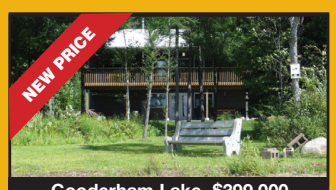
Gary Moffatt 457-2128 x 36


NEW LISTING

Lg. Waterfront Lot Cranberry Lk. $99,999

- Nice level lot with great privacy
- 150' shoreline, 1.5 acres
- Driveway in, building area cleared.
- New dock to be installed.

Erin Nicholls 457-2128 x 34


NEW PRICE

Gooderham Lake $399,000

- Custom built (2010) 4 BDRM Cottage/home
- Sand Shoreline! West Exp! Level Lot!
- 4 BDRM's, 2 Baths, Full Covered Deck
- Drilled Well, Septic, & Walkout BSMT

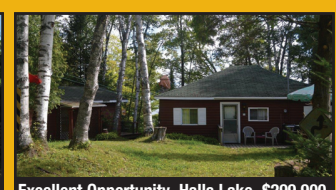
Karen Nimigon 457-2128 x 29



Pine Lake $269,900

- 100' sandy frontage, flat level lot, gar, shed
- 2+ bdrm, sunroom, deck, main flr laundry
- Mins. to shopping, Sir Sam's, full block bsmt
- 3 lake chain, great fishing and swimming

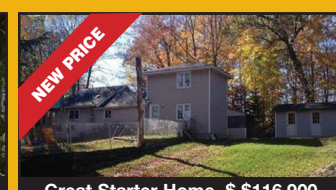
Dawn Poissant 457-2128 x 31



Excellent Opportunity–Halls Lake $299,900

- 120 feet of fantastic waterfront
- Excellent swimming, fishing & boating
- Original 1940's cabin
- Plus full bunkie with kitchen & bathroom

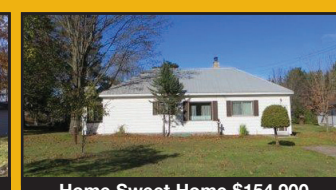
Margie Prestwich 457-2128 x 37


NEW PRICE

Great Starter Home $ $116,900

- Located between Haliburton & Minden
- Many recent upgrades
- Bunkie, single carport, storage shed
- Public access to the 5 lake chain close by

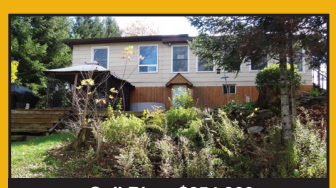
Greg Stamp 457-2128 x 28



Home Sweet Home $154,900

- Great starter or retirement home
- 2 bedrooms, main floor family room
- Oversized one car garage and shed
- Walk to all amenities in Haliburton

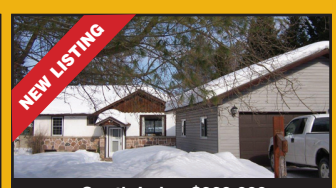
Kim Stamp 457-2128 x 24



Gull River $254,900

- Well Maintained 4 Season home/cottage
- Boat to Gull Lake or Downtown Minden
- 3 Bedrooms, Sunroom, Full W/O Basement
- Single Car Garage, FAO & Woodstove

Elizabeth Thompson 457-2128 x 52


NEW LISTING

South Lake $339,000

- 3 Bedroom/2 Bath Year Round Cottage
- Bright home with pine accents
- Full walk-out basement with Rec Room
- Det'd 29' x 29' Garage

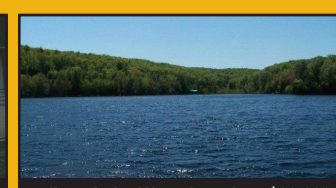
Melanie Vigrass 286-2138 x 32


NEW LISTING

Hunter Creek Rd Privacy $179,000

- 2 bedrooms plus 2 baths
- Walkout basement to large yard
- 1.9 acres of privacy
- School bus by the front door

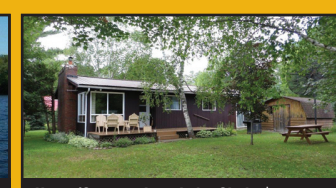
Tom Wilkinson 286-2138 x 25



Tedious Lake Waterfront Lot $99,000

- Large lot on quiet spring fed lake
- South facing, good swimming & fishing
- Driveway is in, hydro at lot line
- Great opportunity! HST in addition

Andrea Wilson 457-2128 x 25



Home/Cottage, Lg 3 Lake Chain $249,900

- 103 Ft Waterfront, 0.7 acre level lot
- 2000 Sq Ft, 3 + 1 bdrms, 1 x 4 Pc Bath
- Impressive Large FP, Garage/workshop
- Boat Launch, dock, approx 36 miles boating

Mark Dennys 457-2128 x 30


NEW LISTING

Hunter Creek Estates $87,900

- Nice lot backing onto greenspace
- Well-kept 2 bdrm with garage
- Minden's only all adult community
- Very spacious and open interior

Denise LeBlanc 286-2138 x 23

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Starter or Retirement Home $155,500

- Country property with loads of value
- Deeded Access to Halls lake close by
- Year round home with 3 bedrooms
- Single car garage & Bunkie

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sports

Best finish ever for Hawks

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our attack all season."

Character also played a huge role in the historic finish.

"We lost to Bracebridge in Game 2 of the pool-play and many thought the season may be over," Yake wrote. "We battled through Norwell and then played an outstanding game against Fort Francis that put us in the medal round. In the bronze game we battled with some penalty issues and Robert Hall coming back and tying the game at 4-4 to put us into OT. The boys always believed that it could happen, and it did."

The Red Hawks last competed in the OFSAA hockey championship in 2010, with the team's previous best finish a fourth place in 2004.

Running group, Frisbee golf planned for spring

Darren Lum
Staff reporter



Darren Lum Staff

Sports and recreation pilot program co-ordinator, Andrea Mueller is inviting the public to come out to the Learn to Run Clinic, the Mountain Biking Festival, Frisbee disc golf, free public roller blading/roller skating nights and a children's summer day camp.

It might not look like it now, but spring is coming and it brings a host of free sports and recreation pilot program activities and offerings.

Sports and recreation pilot program co-ordinator Andrea Mueller is excited about her lineup including the Learn to Run clinic, the Mountain Biking Festival, Frisbee disc golf, free public roller blading/roller skating nights and a children's summer day camp.

The pilot project is funded by a two-year grant from the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport. Led by the township, this initiative is a collaborative effort with area agencies and organizations to foster and encourage a healthier community through sport and recreation.

A steering committee, which is comprised of representatives of the township staff and council, the cultural resources committee, Glebe Park committee, Point in Time, the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge Health Unit, the Aging Well Committee and Community Care Haliburton County, is charged with the direction and implementation of the project.

Right foot forward

Anyone interested in putting the right foot forward towards the goal of being able to run five kilometres is invited to join the Learn to Run clinic.

Pre-registration is required for the group, which will run a mix of trails, paved paths and roads through the village of Haliburton. The clinic will start at the Dysart Library.

Initially the six-week running clinic was scheduled to start in April, but with current conditions the start date and time is still being determined.

Contact Mueller at 705-457-1740 for more up-to-date information.

Wheels in motion

If you're a cyclist who hears the call of the trails, then you should consider the one-day Mountain Biking Festival.

Although a few details still need to be confirmed, the event has secured the services of the touring Beshano Bike Trials Club, who will perform two shows followed by an autograph session; an OPP safety bike course for children in the Head Lake parking lot; a bike course through Head Lake Park for children followed by a barbecue.

Mueller said unlike previous bike events this festival will focus on mountain biking and not road biking.

"We'll see how it goes and see if it is successful," she said.

They welcome sponsors and partners to assist with the event.

Disc-topia

Mueller is starting the Frisbee Disc Golf League to raise the activity's profile and encourage the use of the nine-hole course at Head Lake Park in Haliburton.

"I figure by having a disc golf league it promotes it more and gets more people hopefully out there and using it," she said.

In May, she plans to have area school children using it through programs.

The league is expected to start in June and end in August. There is an opportunity to extend the season if interest warrants.

It will be organized by age, through two times: one for children and family, and the other for adults.

Separate from the league, discs, course maps and scorecards, as well as other equipment, are available to the public at the Dysart branch of the library during operating hours. Weeklong loans are available. A disc golf sign is planned for the front of the park near the Rails End Gallery.

Contact Mueller at the township for more information.

Summer fun

A children's summer day camp, which is being offered through Point in Time and co-ordinated by the township, is open to children from six to 11.

Outdoor games and snacks will be part of the offering, but participants should bring lunch.

With limited space, the camp requires registration for each day. The camp will be in Haliburton for two days and in West Guilford for three. For more information contact Erin Curry at Point in Time 705-457-5345.

Arena ice makes way for spring skate

By May 8, the A.J. LaRue Arena will offer a free public night from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. for rollerbladers and rollerskaters. The second night is on May 22.

Mueller said the public is invited to provide input about programs and the start times through the recreation pilot surveys available online (www.dysartetal.ca/portfolio-view/sports-and-recreation-pilot-program-2/) and at the township office. See the survey heading on right side of page in red.

Bantam A Storm takes lead in all-Ontario finals

Highland Storm returns for two home games this weekend that could complete the series

Highland Storm Smolen Dentistry Bantam As travelled to Mount Brydges on the weekend to play two games in the all-Ontario finals.

On Saturday's game it didn't take long for the Storm boys to get on the board as Matt Wilbee scored two minutes into the game assisted by Owen Smitty Smith. Mount Brydges came right back and tied it up moments later.

Then at 4:17 left in the first Ethan Keefer scored on a shot from the point assisted by Paydon Miscio.

Then 42 seconds later Wilbee scored his second of the game assisted by Nolan Flood and Jake Bishop to end the first period 3-1.

Mount Brydges scored the only goal in the second to make it 3-2. Then with 7:13 left Owen Patterson Smith put it top shelf to make it 4-2 assisted by Kyle Cooper and Miscio.

Miscio finished the game off with an open net goal with 30 seconds left unassisted.

Game 2 Sunday afternoon saw the Cougars take the lead early in the game, which was the only goal of the first two periods.

Both teams had lots of shots on net but both goaltenders seemed to be on fire with Josh Bellefleur making several big saves.

One minute into the third Kyle Cooper took some of the stress off for the Storm fans as he tied the game at one assisted by Owen Patterson Smith.

Paydon Miscio scored, which proved to be the game winner with six minutes left, assisted by Cooper to give Storm the win and a 2-1 lead in the series.

Storm plays this Saturday at 6 p.m. and again Sunday at 1:30 p.m. if need be.

Both games will be at the A.J. LaRue arena in Haliburton.

Come out and cheer on your local boys as they are en route to being the all-Ontario champions!

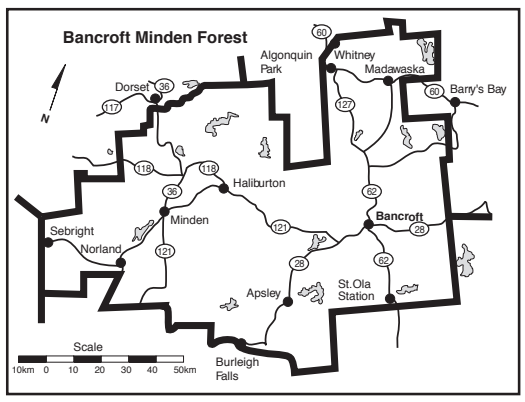
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INSPECTION

Inspection of Approved 2014 – 2015 Annual Work Schedule Bancroft Minden Forest



The **Bancroft District** Office of the Ontario **Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)** has reviewed and approved the Bancroft Minden Forest Company (BMFC) April 1, 2014 – March 31, 2015 Annual Work Schedule (AWS) for the **Bancroft Minden Forest**.

Availability

The AWS will be available for public inspection at the BMFC company office and the MNR public website at **ontario.ca/forestplans** beginning **March 24, 2014** and throughout the one-year duration. Ontario Government Information Centres at North Kawartha Township Public Library in Apsley and ServiceOntario in Minden provide access to the Internet.

Scheduled Forest Management Operations

The AWS describes forest management activities such as road construction, maintenance and decommissioning, forestry aggregate pits, harvest, site preparation, tree planting and tending that are scheduled to occur during the year.

Tree Planting and Fuelwood

BMFC is responsible for tree planting on the Bancroft Minden Forest. Please contact BMFC (tel: 613-332-6890) for information regarding tree planting job opportunities.

For information on the locations and licence requirements for obtaining fuelwood for personal use, please contact Krista Fergusson at the Bancroft District Office (tel: 613-332-3940 ext. 226). For commercial fuelwood opportunities, please contact BMFC General Manager Peter Nitschke.

More Information

For more information on the AWS or to arrange an appointment with MNR staff to discuss the AWS or to request an AWS operations summary map, please contact:

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Ontario

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A CALL TO ARTISTS

From February 17th to 19th, 2015, Haliburton County will play host to more than 1,000 participants, coaches and officials who will compete in 10 sporting events. All competitors are 55 years of age or over and are great examples of what an active lifestyle can do to improve health in the senior years.

Instead of medals that may be put away in drawers, once again, we would like to present the first, second and third place winners with a unique and perhaps usable memento of their accomplishment here in the Haliburton Highlands. An example would be a stain glass sun catcher that could be both hung on a ribbon and later hung in a window. In 2011 Artech won with their very popular glass ice sculpture with the logo embedded.

These "medals" must have the words: ***Haliburton Highlands 2015 Ontario 55+ Winter Games*** on them, but other than that, we are open to all design ideas. Also to be taken into consideration is the budget of $8-$10 per piece with approximately 150 -200 pieces required per level, 450-500 "medals/awards" in total.

The winning artist/s will be featured at every opportunity, including the souvenir program, website and local press.

Submissions of the design, with preferably a prototype, will be accepted on or before ***April 30, 2014 at the Games office (Dysart Room at the Pinestone Resort) in Haliburton, or to the County offices located at 11 Newcastle St. Minden K0M 2A1. For further information or enquires please contact the Games General Manager, Myke Malone at myke@ontariogamesprogram.com or call 705-783-9300.***

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KINMOUNT: March 18 and April 15 - 12:30 to 4:00 pm
Kinmount Legion,
11 County Road 503, Kinmount

GOODERHAM: March 26 and April 23 - 12:30 to 4:00 pm
Robert McCausland Comm. Centre,
1043 Community Centre Rd, Gooderham

MINDEN: April 2 - 1:00 to 4:00 pm
Minden Legion, 12847-Hwy 35, Minden

DORSET: April 9 - 12:30 to 4:00 pm
Dorset Recreation Centre, 1051 Main St., Dorset

*PLEASE NOTE: Volunteers do not complete returns for deceased persons or their beneficiaries, bankrupt individuals, or individuals who have capital gains or losses, employment expenses, or business or rental income and expenses.

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Karate in the Highlands

Kai-Shin Karate North Branch, Haliburton's local dojo training hall, is pleased to announce the results of our black belt grading. Three senior brown belts have earned the rank of Sho-Dan and two black belts have been promoted to the second level.

In karate *dan* means *step* or *level* while *Sho* refers to the lesser of the steps. These steps are not easily obtained and it takes a special person at least five to six years of intensive training to move up these ranks.

John Black, Chris McCargar and Lorrie McCauley are the three local brown-belts who advanced to Sho-Dan and who, as newly-minted black-belts, have now joined the Kai-Shin teaching staff and gained the title of *Sensei* in their club. Obtaining a black belt is an exceptional achievement, and we are especially proud of Sensei Lorrie, because only one in 300 female students who study karate achieve Sho-Dan.

Sensei Kyle Seabrooke and Sensei Bob Deremo also graded at the Kai-Shin North Branch dojo on Wednesday, March 12, during a closed session and were moved forward to *Ni-Dan*, which refers to the second step.

Sensei Kyle is from the Haliburton area and has been a Sho-Dan for eight years. He trains at Chito-Dojo in Ottawa on a regular schedule and also teaches. When he returns to Haliburton to visit family he always returns to his local dojo which has given him a very strong base and an excellent platform to advance from. Sensei Kyle does exceptionally well in competition and we are extremely proud of his commitment to martial arts.

Sensei Bob Deremo has been a big part of our dojo for six years. He assists as an instructor, attends seminars and shows loyalty to our dojo where he is both needed and respected.

The Kai-Shin North Branch dojo opened its doors, 13 years ago, in 2000, under the instruction of Mike Chapman. Sensei Chapman is a martial artist who began his training in Toronto's West End in 1968. He began his training in a very strict Shito-Ryu Karate Dojo, where he advanced to green belt level.

In 1971, Sensei Chapman gained the opportunity to begin training with Canadian Karate Champion Wally Slocki, during what have been referred to as the "Blood and Guts Days of Karate."

In 1974 Sensei Chapman met his first Kai-Shin instructor Richard Sansom and trained under the founder of the Kai-Shin style Monty Guest. Chapman achieved Roku-Dan, six-degree black belt, in 2009.

Haliburton's Kai-Shin Karate Dojo is pleased to announce that it currently has seven black belts on the teaching staff. All of these black belts are adult members of the club, which serves adults and youth five days a week from its location downtown Haliburton.

Haliburton's Kai-Shin Karate Dojo is always accepting new students and we look forward to serving them better and making greater advances in martial arts, with this increased teaching staff.

-Submitted by Mike Chapman and Sarah Vance



From left, Ni-Dan Bob Deremo, Roku-Dan Mike Chapman, Ni-Dan Kyle Seabrooke along with back row, from left John Black, Chris McCargar and Lorrie McCauley display their Kai-Shin Sho-Dan certificates at the Kai-Shin North Branch Karate Dojo in Haliburton, on Wednesday, March 12, after black belt grading. Photo submitted.

workforce DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Request For Proposals

The Workforce Development Board (WDB) is accepting proposals from qualified parties to design and develop a sustainable framework for the collection, analysis and dissemination of labour market information (LMI) encompassing WDB's service areas.

The WDB is a not-for-profit organization located in Peterborough and serving Northumberland, Peterborough, Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton. It was founded in 1996, and is funded by the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities (MTCU) to provide LMI, coordinate employment and training services, and engage employer communities.

Full application packages are available on the WDB website, www.wdb.ca.

The deadline for submission of proposals is March 28, 2014 at 4:30pm (Eastern Standard Time). Submissions received after the deadline will not be considered. Only proposals submitted by email to workforce@wdb.ca will be accepted.

EMPLOYMENT ONTARIO

Losses during aging

Gerald Irish
Senior's Moment

Something that is increasingly bothering me is my loss of where I am and why am I there. I go to the den for something and when I get there, I stand and look around trying to figure out why I am there. My wife tells me that one of the tests for Alzheimer's is the ability to draw a clock face with all the numbers in their correct places. I can still do this every Monday morning to make me feel good about holding on to something mental, regardless how small and insignificant.

Another loss I really feel badly about is my balance. I stumble and teeter around like someone soused on alcohol. I'm really not. Maybe if this was happening a few years in the past, it might have been true. But not now. The thing I miss the most is being able to glide around the dance floor with my wife. We were smooth – really smooth. Now I'm the epitome of clumsiness and it is easier to sit out a dance rather than injure Joan.

My clumsiness extends beyond dancing or even walking. I break things, especially dishes when I think I am helping. This may sound like an excuse to get out of kitchen duty (and it sometimes works) but I don't use it for this (at least not all the time).

Ordinary tasks that used to take very little time to complete now seem to take forever. I can become exhausted just sweeping the snow from our balcony.

But enough about what is wrong. I am grateful to still be here, to still have some of my faculties, to still have my family and friends near and dear. Someone up there must love me. Thank you.

SPARC poised to ignite

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Just like the prospect of warmer days, the upcoming four-day SPARC (Symposium for Performing Arts in Rural Communities) is being welcomed as the charge forward into a brighter future.

Haliburton County is the ideal location because of its organizations' ability to work together, said project co-ordinator Rachel Gilooly.

"Haliburton County and its performing arts organizations are really unique in terms of the level of collaboration and co-operation that go between all of the various organizations," she said. "Nobody does things alone without a lot of support from other organizations."

This first-ever four-day event is from April 24 to 27 at the Fleming College Haliburton campus and will bring together creators, producers, presenters and animateurs of theatre, dance, music and media arts.

They will discuss the business of performing arts and building place-based culture to develop rural communities with the purpose of providing a forum to inspire, exchange knowledge, learn new skills, network and develop partnerships, according to the event's website.

"Everybody's got very different stories to tell, but there is definitely a theme running through the symposium that addresses those issues," she said.

The participants will come mainly from places with a population of 20,000 or less, including small communities within larger areas such as Peterborough.

The event features keynote speakers Inga Petri, lead researcher on the Value of

Presenting: A study of Arts Presentation in Canada initiative; Steven Thorne, who will speak about "place-based" cultural tourism; and Scott Walters, founder of the Center for Rural Arts Development and Leadership Education (CRADLE) in the U.S.

SPARC is the result of a collaboration between the Arts Council–Haliburton Highlands, Conjurors of County Town, Highlands Summer Festival, Dusk Dances Haliburton, Forest Festival, Haliburton County Folk Society, Sticks and Stones Productions and Those Other Movies and the Haliburton School of the Arts–Fleming College Campus.

Besides the 75 pre-registered participants from across the country, the majority from Ontario, the symposium has drawn international interest, including The Walking Theatre Company, based in Argyll, Scotland.

The college campus venue is a limiting factor to participation with the cutoff at 140.

One of the participants is Sheatre, an arts organization based in Kemble, Ont., which will present a photo exhibition from their rural youth project, Be Our Ally.

"The Be Our Ally photo exhibition sheds light on the strength, fragility and resiliency of rural LGBTQ [lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer] youth and their allies in our community," Sheatre artistic director Joan Chandler wrote in an email to SPARC. "It is part of a multi-arts project that partners the arts (theatre, music and photography) and education in an engaging violence prevention program to teach youth about homophobia, inclusion, LGBTQ reality and friendship."

Organizers welcome other communities to host their own version of SPARC, Gilooly said.

"The whole notion of collaborating on a much, much larger scale, exchanging information about resources and if something worked for us here why would you not let somebody else know what it was that worked and do it somewhere else?" she said. There is a hope SPARC or a similar event will be held every two years in Haliburton.

Gilooly said this depends on "desire and the whole notion of being able to form a network" or a need to meet about specific challenges.

There are a variety of registration options.

This includes student options and a single day registration is available for Friday and Saturday for $125.

See www.sparcperformingarts.com for more information.



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St. Patrick's luncheon a sold-out affair

West Guilford

Eleanor Cooper 754-2278

Surely someone has just returned from a trip. Surely someone has had company.

Is someone planning a party at the West Guilford Community Centre? What, oh what, is to become of this column?

My only personal news is that this was the week I recorded, or rather that I was recorded, by Ron Murphy at Canoe FM.

This happens every third week, this reading of three stories, which are then played on Sunday mornings.

We attended the St. Patrick's Irish lunch at the Legion on the day itself. And so successful was it that the sign at the door had to read "sold out" before the time was over.

All present enjoyed Bill Gliddon's playing at the keyboard of Irish tunes.

Choir practice continues as usual on Thursday evenings at St. George's church – the West Guilford contingent consisting of Leslie Chumbley, Wayne Cooper, Earl and me. We rehearse our pieces for the music festival as well as our Easter music now.

Of course, Friday afternoons are committed to Highlands Concert Band rehearsals.

Likewise rehearsing for the music festival as well as for the April 25 SPARC (Symposium for Performers of Arts in Rural Communities).

This happens at Minden United Church.

Euchre on March 18: high – Tina Hadley and Bert Craig; low – Kathee Freeman and Ann McIvor; most lone hands – Liz Jesseman and Cliff Davison; specials – Ron Bain and Sandy Poulton.

Career & Business Opportunities

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- Demonstrated experience working with Seniors
- Strong leadership, communication and program development skills.

Contact Information:

Please forward cover letter and resume by April 17, 2014 @5:00 pm to **darlene.armstrong@hhfht.com**.
We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS

In the Estate of Elizabeth Brooks, Pensioner, deceased,

All Persons having claims as creditors against the estate of the above mentioned, late of the municipality of Highlands East, in the County of Haliburton, who died at the said municipality, on September 15th, 2013, are required to file proof of same with the undersigned on or before May 5th, 2014.

After that date the Public Guardian and Trustee will proceed to distribute the estate, having regard only to the claims of which s/he then shall have had notice.

Anyone having knowledge of a Will dated later than May 16th, 2013 of the above mentioned is also requested to contact the undersigned.

DATED at Toronto on March 03, 2014.

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Grant Rowland sent in these photos of a saw-whet owl.



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Pat Taylor sent in this photo of deer playing. Photo taken Feb. 7 in Haliburton.

letters

How will future food producers be educated?

To the Editor,

Forces and events outside of Haliburton County that bring to light the concepts of local food are only talk, not actions. The recent announcement of University of Guelph closing the campuses of Alfred and Kemptville (KCAT) colleges is a sad continuation showing society's leaders have no respect for people who work the land with their hands. This is like the death of the canary in the coal mine. What will you as an individual do to make our food system alive and well?

Many people want to see our local farmers' market expand with more products such as eggs and dairy products. This is legally not possible because of the massive amounts of intertwined rules and regulations often established by bureaucrats or interest groups in the guise of market stability and consumer health protection.

It is sad that farmers are criminalized for providing food that consumers consciously seek out. Local food grown using organic methods is the expanding sector of agriculture. The closing of the Kemptville campus, a pillar of agriculture in eastern Ontario, exposes the extreme vulnerability and the lack of respect local food is afforded by senior government politicians and academics. Society's resources committed to creative thinking have not been applied to agriculture. An example of a local system destroyed is our federal government with the closure of the prison farm system. This articulates clearly that federal politicians do not respect the skill of people who work with their hands on the land.

Where will the people who grow food be educated? If you do not have a multi-level degree there is no respect nor thought to be consulted in community plans. Regretfully, over generations the province of Ontario has given University of Guelph a monopoly on agricultural education. They have not been educated on the growing sector of organics. News reports cite reduced enrollment as justification for closure. Where will our future local food producers be educated? How will you support those who grow local food for your table today?

Godfrey Tyler
Waverley Brook Farm
KCAT Class of 1980

Email your letter to the Editor
to jenn@haliburtonpress.com

Coming Events





legion

Legion br. 129

Dave Allen PRO
Haliburton Legion

Weekly Activities
Wednesdays
Bid Euchre: 1 p.m. start
Bingo: Doors open at 6 p.m., bingo starts at 7 p.m. - $500 jackpot; $1,000 jackpot last Wednesday of the month.
Thursdays
General Meeting: Second Thursday of the month starting at 7:30 p.m. All members urged to attend.
Ladies Auxiliary Last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.
Fridays
Meat Draw: five draws, five prizes each draw, first draw at 4:30 p.m., last draw at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are $2 per draw, Chester Howse, MC.
Saturdays
50/50 Draw: 4 p.m. draw, tickets are $1 each from noon onwards.
Sundays
Breakfast: Second and fourth Sunday of the month – 9:30 am – 1 p.m., $6 per person

Upcoming Events
Live entertainment featuring Haliburton's own country music band, Kickstart. Enjoy beef on a bun for just $5 – Saturday, March 29, 4 to 7 p.m. No cover.
Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, call the Legion today for more information 705-457-2571.
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Legion br. 624

Jan Simon PRO
Wilberforce Legion

March 24 to 30

Monday	Bid Euchre	7 p.m.
Wednesday	Fun Darts	7:30 p.m.
Friday	Community Care 55+ Lunch	
	Please call Gwen Otto to reserve your place	
	Everyone 55+ Welcome!!	
	Pool	1:30 p.m.
	Jam Session	7 p.m. Come to play or listen to great music
Saturday	Meat Draw	2 to 5 p.m.
Sunday	Pancake and sausage breakfast	8 to 11 a.m.

Township of Algonquin Highlands
requires a

Stanhope Heritage Day Event Coordinator

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is seeking applications for a temporary contract position for a Stanhope Heritage Day Coordinator.

Reporting to the Stanhope Heritage Discovery Museum Committee, the Stanhope Heritage Day Coordinator will be responsible for the overall organization, coordination and promotion of the 2014 Stanhope Heritage Day to be held on **Saturday, July 19, 2014**.

The preferred candidate will possess the following qualifications:

- Excellent interpersonal, project/time management, organizational and communication skills.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Word, Excel and in the use of email.
- Current working knowledge of websites and various forms of social media.
- Basic understanding of event promotion, advertising, marketing and public relations.

Contract Value: $2500.00

We thank all applicants; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Please submit your resume in confidence by **3:00 p.m. on Friday, April 4, 2014** to:

Angie Bird, C.A.O.
Township of Algonquin Highlands
1123 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands, ON K0M 1J1
705-489-2379 Ext. 222
Email – abird@algonquinhighlands.ca

Township of Algonquin Highlands

REQUEST FOR TENDER BIDS
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Angie Bird, A.M.C.T., CMM I
Chief Administrative Officer
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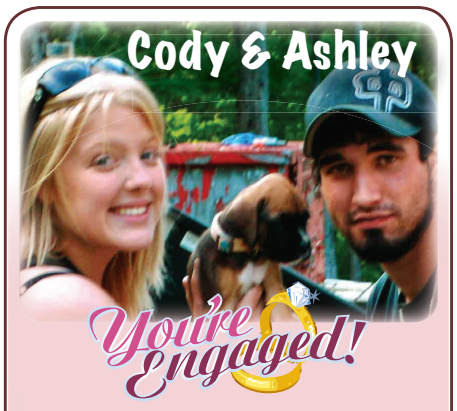
LIfe is a highway for these young skaters, who raced around the ice at the Keith Tallman Arena during the Highlands East Recreational Figure Skating Club's carnival on March 22. Photos by Chad Ingram



Guest skaters Sarah Storey and Julie Moffit came from Bancroft.

Haliburton Echo Classifieds

100 ANNOUNCEMENTS



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Announcements

150 COMING EVENTS

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110 NOTICES

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300 OBITUARIES

Capel, Rick

Retired Police Sergeant, Peel Regional Police
Retired Volunteer Fire Captain, Station 306, Palgrave

Suddenly at Owen Sound Hospital, on Thursday, March 20, 2014, Rick Capel, Eagle Lake, formerly of Palgrave, beloved husband of Laila Capel. Proud father of Carlye and her husband Craig Reid, Mike Capel and his girlfriend Michelle Cliche.

Loving grandfather of Colton and Rosalie Reid. Dear brother of Rob Capel and Sue Woodworth. Fondly remembered by Murray Osborne and Trish Boehler, Jim and Diane Cook, Mike and Diane Short.

The family received their friends at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen Street S., Bolton, Sunday afternoon 2 – 6 o'clock. Memorial service was held in the chapel on Monday morning, March 24 at 11 o'clock.

If desired, memorial donations may be made to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario or Chesley and District Memorial Hospital, 39 – 2nd Street S. E., Chesley N0G 1L0.

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In Loving Memory of

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For the past 60 years Jean was the beloved wife of Allan, mother of Wanda (Brian) Lawrenson of Thornhill, Kevin (Tanya) of Pickering and proud Nana to granddaughter Lauren. Predeceased by her father Leonard Upton and mother Gertrude (nee Sawyer), sister Phylliss (Arthur) Sisson, brothers Ray (Dorothy), Basil and Laverne. Dear sister of Stanley (Julie) of Lindsay. She will be missed dearly by her many nieces, nephews and all remaining family and friends.

A Graveside Service will be held in the spring at Maple Lake United Church Cemetery. Once a date has been determined it will be announced on the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd. website or please contact the funeral home directly at 705-286-2181.

Memorial Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or the Kidney Foundation of Canada, Ontario Branch would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.

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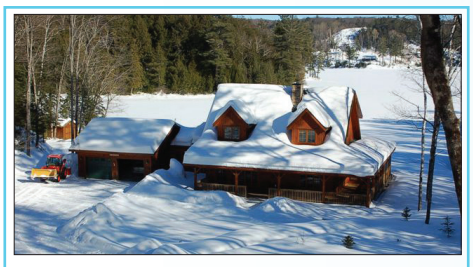
Your Key to Haliburton Highlands Real Estate



SPECTACULAR POST & BEAM $1,479,000
5 Lake Chain. 5100sf. Warmth of wood interior w/stone fireplaces. Dry boathouse with 2 bedroom bunkie overlooking the waves. Gorgeous lot w/big west view.



KASHAGAWIGAMOG LAKE $1,395,000
Magnificent custom built cottage & 4 season guest quarters. 3+ ac of privacy. 355' frtg facing S/W. Trails, sauna, garages, decks, extensive dock system & more!



CONFEDERATION LOG ON 125 AC $1,100,000
Growler Lake Hideaway. Trails thru'out, private bunkie on a pond, Open concept log home with wraparound covered porch. Dbl garage.



GUILFORD LAKE $899,000
Premium 5BR cottage or home with 3870 of living space. 1.94 ac lot, 244' clean rugged shoreline. Two stone fireplaces.



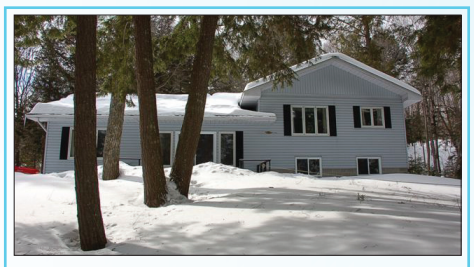
SOYERS LAKE $588,000
Quiet Bay off Soyers Lake. Year round home or cottage. Level landscaped lot. 1 acre with 250' frontage. 2700sf, double garage, loft.



PRIVATE PARADISE $538,900
3BR backsplit cottage, totally private on Moose Lake. Level lot, sand shoreline, 242' frontage. Immaculate. Near Sir Sam's.



LITTLE BOSHKUNG LAKE $439,000
1.5 storey cottage/home. Sunny gentle slope lot. 104' sand shoreline. Open cathedral concept. New wraparound deck & railing. Garage.



BURDOCK LAKE $378,800
3BR home or cottage with 875' frtg. Pretty treed landcaped lot on peaceful lake. Double garage, basement w/recroom.



IRONDALE RIVER RETREAT $374,000
Enjoy privacy & luxury on 4.7 acres with 300ft of riverfront.1900sf cottage with original log cabin incorporated. Also double det garage & a Bunkie.



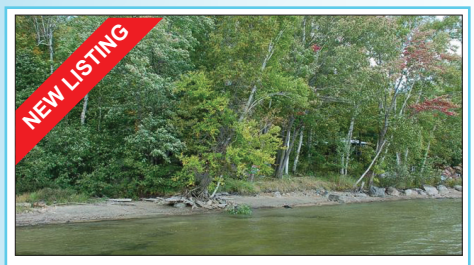
WENONA LAKE $358,000
1000 Feet of Shoreline & 5.7 Acres.
3BR Cottage.
1 Room Cabin. Privacy. Beautiful rare property.



LAKE KASHAG $356,000
3 season 2BR on pretty lot w/clean sand & rock shoreline. Cute 2BR Bunkie. South exposure.



BLUEHAWK LAKE BEAUTY! $339,000
Home/cottage close to Haliburton. Cathedral ceilings, sunporch,3BR, master w/balcony. W/o basement. Garage & gardens! Pride of ownership evident!



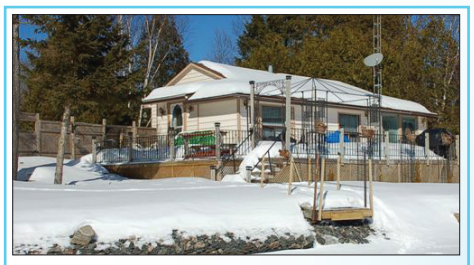
PRIME DRAG LAKE LOT NOW $335,000
Georgeous sand beach lot, sunny facing south. Year round road.
Dream cottage is waiting to be built here!



HALIBURTON LAKE $329,000
3BR cottage on pretty treed lot with big lake view. LR w/woodstove. Block foundation.
4 season potential!



WEST GUILFORD HOME $299,888
Great potential with Commercial Zoning. 2.33 acre lot & 496 ft frtg. 2BR home, att garage. Across from sand beach on Green Lake.



GREEN LAKE $299,000
Yr rnd cottage or home on water's edge, sand beach. Good privacy. Full w/o basement.
3 Lake Chain.



HWY 118 - CARNARVON $288,000
Built 2011 quality open concept home on 4.48 ac. Bunkie, Det garage. Lots of bells & whistles!
Very neat & appealing home!



HALIBURTON LAKE $265,000
Traditional 4BR cottage on water's edge. Superb view, sunsets with N/W exposure. Dry boathouse, large deck, great value! Year round road.



TEDIOUS LAKE $235,000
3BR on 2 Ac, 807' frtg. Level lot.
Neat pine interior, fully insulated.
Screen porch. New dock, deck & many more upgrades!



ACCESS TO HALLS LAKE $209,000
Well maintained home or cottage.
Deeded ROW. 3 4pc bathrooms.
Full basement. Level lot. Neat as a pin!



SALERNO DEEDED ACCESS $129,000
Private 4 season backlot cottage. Very neat and well maintained. 2BR/3pc shower. Fully winterized.
Drilled well/septic. Awesome Getaway!

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4.5 Ac / 293'fr $319,900.
0.7 Ac / 235'fr $299,900.